

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 8, middle paragraph delete and replace with the following.

*B*¹ A sample was prepared with the agent, stated below, by adding with or without adding 1 mM ~~L-cysteine~~L-cysteine. In the same manner, as stated in the Example 1, the hemoglobin standard containing HbA_{1c}, HbA_{1a}, HbF, and HbA₀ was used in order to make a concentration of hemoglobin in 7%.